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Ford Orders CIA Briefing For Carter

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President Ford yesterday instructed the Central Intelligence Agency to give Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter an intelligence briefing.

Presidential spokesman Ron Nessen said CIA Director George Bush, and possibly other agency officials, would go to Carter's home in Plains, Ga., for the briefing next week.

Bush would provide the same information to Democratic vice presidential nominee Walter F. Mondale "if he wants it," Nessen said.

Such briefings are traditional, but usually are provided by the Secretary of State. Carter, however, has said he would prefer the CIA to brief him rather than Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, whose policies Carter has criticized.

Nessen said there are no plans for Kissinger to brief Carter.

The way such briefings are handled has varied under each administration. President Johnson, for example, personally briefed the 1968 Republican nominee, Richard M. Nixon, Nessen said. Democratic nominee George McGovern declined such a briefing in 1972. McGovern sharply criticized U.S. foreign policy, particularly in Vietnam, during that time.

In other business, the President nominated Ignacio E. Lozano Jr., of Newport Beach, Calif., as ambassador to El Salvador. If confirmed by the Senate, Lozano, a former Spanish-American newspaper publisher and president of Los Angeles-based Lozano Enterprises, Inc., will succeed James Campbell.

The President also nominated Guyford Stever, director of the National Science Foundation, to head a new White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Stever will advise the President on research and development in such areas as energy, medicine, the economy and the environment.

A final nomination, that of communications counsel Joseph R. Fogarty to the Federal Communications Commission, was also made by the President. Fogarty, who worked for the Senate Commerce Committee, will succeed Charlotte R. Reid, if the Senate confirms him.